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In the Application of:)
Mark A. Mars et al.)
Serial No.: 09/450,384)
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For: Telephone wire distribution center)

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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This paper is filed, along with a Request for Continued Examination, in response to the final
Office Action mailed June 25, 2002.

AMENDMENT

In the claims:

Please amend claims 1, 6, 11, and 14 as follows.

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1. (Amended twice) A telephone wire distribution center comprising:
a front substantially planar surface;
at least one pair of punch down terminal strips attached to the front surface, wherein each
punch down terminal strip includes a first termination area and a plurality of additional termination
areas, wherein each termination area of a particular punch down terminal strip is electrically coupled
in series by the particular punch down terminal strip to every other termination area of the same
punch down terminal strip;